LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

OPERATIONAL DELIVERY COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 13 JANUARY 2021

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1	There are no items of urgent business at this time.	The Committee resolved: to note that the Convener agreed to hear an urgent Notice of Motion from Councillor Audrey Nicoll.	Governance	L McBain
2	<u>Determination of Exempt Business</u>	The Committee resolved: The Convener proposed that the appendix in relation to item 10.7 on the agenda be heard with the press and public excluded.	Governance	L McBain
3	Minute of the Previous Meeting of 19 November 2020	The Committee resolved:- to approve the minute as a correct record.	Governance	L McBain
4	Committee Business Planner	The Committee resolved: (i) to agree to remove items 4 (Performance Report, 5 (Various Small Scale Traffic Management), 6 (Update on Housing First position), 7 (Driveway Appeal), 9 (Waste and Recycling Policy Review), 10 (Northern Roads Collaboration Annual report), 11 (Child Poverty Action Report) and 12 (Scottish Road	Governance	L McBain

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		Commissioner update), subject to the decisions taken in respect of items 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12 later on the agenda; (i) to agree to remove item 8 from the planner (Waste Strategy) as this would now be considered outwith this committee; (ii) to note that a Service Update would be provided in due course in relation to Smart Bins; and (iii) to otherwise note the information provided within the planner.	Governance Operations Governance	L McBain S Shaw L McBain
5	Urgent Notice of Motion	The Committee resolved: to agree that a Service Update be provided to members, to provide details on how to minimise the effect of any future outages at Balnagask Energy Centre, and to include information on how to mitigate the additional heating costs incurred by residents using alternative costly heating options during the outage period.	Resources	S Booth
6	Performance Report - CUS/20/241	The Committee resolved: (i) to note the Void Council Housing service update issued on the 7 th January; (ii) to note the issues arising from Covid-19; (iii) to note the Chief Officer – Early Intervention and Community Empowerment chairs the fortnightly Voids Outcome Improvement meeting	Customer	D McGowan

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		which scrutinises performance and progress on identified improvement actions; (iv) to agree that Void Properties are far too high and instructs the Chief Officer – Early Intervention and Community Empowerment to continue to develop the improvement plan, in consultation with the Convenor and Housing Spokesperson, to reduce Void Properties significantly, and agrees that the improvement plan be sent to members of the committee for reference only; (v) to agree that committee members		D McGowan
		receive fortnightly updates on Void numbers by way of email;	Customer	D McGowan
		(vi) to agree that officers would issue information by way of email to members on the cleaning alert timescales for community buildings;	Customer	D McGowan
		(vii) to agree that the Chief Officer – Integrated Children's and Family Services would provide some information behind the statistics in regard to Children's Integrated Services for future Performance Reports and	Operations	G Simpson
		(viii) to otherwise note the information provided within the Performance Report.	Customer	L Fox
7	Update on Northern Roads Collaboration Joint Committee - Annual Report 2019 / 2020 - OPE/20/240	The Committee resolved: (i) to consider the annual report from the Northern Roads Collaboration Joint Committee as attached at appendix 1;	Operations (all actions)	K Abercrombie

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		(iii) to note the continued role of Aberdeen City Council in the Northern Roads Collaboration Joint Committee; and to offer their condolence to the family of Councillor Ellen Morton, Chair of the Northern Roads Collaboration Joint Committee, who had sadly passed away and had been instrumental in getting the collaboration to where it was.		
8	Driveway Appeal - OPE/20/245	The Committee resolved: (i) to agree that officers correctly applied the Council's approved driveway regulations; and (ii) to agree to uphold the decision to refuse permission for an additional footway crossing at 108 Corrennie Circle, Dyce, on the grounds that it does not comply with the above regulations.	Operations (all actions)	J Penman (all actions)
9	Various Small-Scale Traffic Management and Development Associated Proposals (Stage 3 - Public Advert) - OPE20/244	The Committee resolved: (i) to acknowledge the objections received in respect of the proposed TROs as a result of the statutory consultation; (ii) to note the terms of the objections received and proceed to approve the order "The Aberdeen City Council (Morningside Lane, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 202(X)" as originally proposed; and	Operations (all actions)	J Penman (all actions)

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		(iii) to note the terms of the objections received and proceed to approve the order "The Aberdeen City Council (Northcote Avenue, Aberdeen) (Prohibition of Waiting) Order 202(X)" with the reduced 10 metre length as per officer's recommendation.		
10	Annual report on the performance of Aberdeen City Council from the Scottish Roadworks Commissioner - OPE/20/242	The Committee resolved: (i) to note the contents of the Commissioners report, dated 25 August 2020 (Appendix 3); (ii) to acknowledge the updated information as contained within this report, following the joint meeting between representatives of Aberdeen City Council and the Commissioner's office on the 11 November 2020, along with the latest update as received on the 23 December 2020; and (iii) to note that the update on 23 December 2020, outlined that the commissioner was satisfied that Aberdeen City Council had attained the required level of performance and would be removed from the Improvement Plan with immediate effect and commends officers in achieving this.	Operations (all actions)	D Ritchie (all actions)
11	Waste and Recycling Policy Review - OPE/20/236	The Committee resolved: to approve the revised and amalgamated waste and recycling policy contained within	Operations	H Lynch/ K Hultman

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		appendix 1 Waste and Recycling Policy.		
12	Child Poverty Action Report - CUS/21/009	The Committee resolved: (i) to agree and approve the Aberdeen City Local Child Poverty Action Report 2019 – 2020 endorsed by the Chief Executive of Aberdeen City Council, Angela Scott and Chief Executive of NHS Grampian, Caroline Hiscox for submission to the Scottish Government; (ii) to note the commitment of the Chief Executives of Aberdeen City Council and NHS Grampian to eradicating child poverty by 2030. (iii) to note the decision of the Operational Delivery Committee on 17th September 2019 to adopt the Local Outcome Improvement Plan as the Council's Child Poverty Action Plan for 2019-2022. (iv) to agree Committee receives a half yearly report on the actions being taken by Community Planning Aberdeen to reduce and eradicate child poverty around the priorities for 2020/21 as noted in appendix1 (v) to note that research from Glasgow and Edinburgh Universities which looked at socioeconomic deprivation including the evaluation of the association of residing in an area of socioeconomic deprivation with 30-day mortality following admission to critical care with COVID-19 indicates that:	Customer	D McGowan

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Item Title	People in the most deprived areas are more likely to be severely ill with and die from Covid-19 than those in wealthier areas. (vi) to note the Joseph Rowntree Foundation has warned Scottish Government that child poverty targets will be missed unless Scottish Ministers take bold action to ensure no child is left behind; (vii) to note with huge disappointment that, despite the Council agreeing at its budget meeting in February 2016 to explore the option of an Energy Service Company (ESCo), the Scottish government has some 5 years later still failed to move forward with a Scottish ESCo as promised. (viii) given many children in Scotland continue to go hungry and other people are forced to go without food in order to feed other members of their family the Committee notes with great disappointment that the legislative programme endorsed by the Scottish government and supported by the SNP fails to include "The right to food" Bill but does include legislation on Independence (ix) to note research has shown that child poverty continues to increase in	<u> </u>	Officer to Action
	Scotland and, agrees that the Scottish government should reassess its current priorities to ensure it is doing all it can to help those children most in		

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		need through this Covid-19 pandemic and beyond, rather than prioritising a further Independence referendum (x) to note the progress made during 2019/20 and the priorities for 20/21 and instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Minister for Local Government seeking an assurance from him that the Scottish Government will support Aberdeen City Council to eradicate child poverty in the city by 2030 by providing adequate funding in forthcoming local government budget settlements. (xi) to note the increase in funding to Universal Credit by the UK Government worth up to £1,000 per recipient; and (xii) to instruct the Chief Executive to write to the UK Government Chancellor of the Exchequer asking him to continue the £20 a week Universal Credit uplift beyond April 2021.	Governance	A Scott
13	Update on Housing First position - CUS/21/003	The Committee resolved: (i) to note the report at appendix 1; (ii) to approve option 4 at Appendix 1; (iii) to note the decision of the Scottish Government to fund the Housing First Fund by only 50% and regrets that this partial funding by the Scottish government is set to end in 2022; (iv) to note the comments of Kevin Stewart MSP Minister for Local Government and Housing on social	Customer	K Diack/ G Gardner

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	media that the 'right policies, regulations and resources 'must be in place to combat homelessness; and (v) therefore instructs the Chief Officer-Early Intervention and Community Empowerment to write to Kevin Stewart MSP, Local Government and Housing Minister, seeking a commitment to ensure the service is 100% funded for 2021/22 financial year and beyond.	Customer	D McGowan

If you require any further information about this decision sheet, please contact Lynsey McBain on 01224 522123 or email lymcbain@aberdeencity.gov.uk